Tuesday, August 30, 1960

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared public works appropriation bill for the President. Senate debated bill to create Freedom Commission, agreeing to limit further debate.

House passed sugar bill and cleared communications (payola) bill for the President.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 18260-18269

Bills Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3911-3916; and S. Res. 384-385.

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: H.R. 5132, relating to active duty agreements for Reserve officers, with amendments (S. Rept. 1935).

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Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees.

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D.C. Alcoholic Beverage Control: Senate passed with committee amendment S. 3258, to strengthen the D.C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act. Motion to reconsider passage of this bill was tabled.

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Taxation: Senate adopted conference report on H.R. 10087, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 so as to permit taxpayers to elect an overall limitation on the foreign tax credit.

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D.C. Police and Firemen: S. 3713, providing salary increases for officers and members of the Metropolitan Police, D.C. Firemen, U.S. Park Police, and White House Police, was indefinitely postponed.

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Public Works Appropriations: H.R. 12326, fiscal 1961 appropriations for public works, was cleared for President's signature when Senate adopted conference report thereon. In this connection, Senate concurred in House amendment to Senate amendment No. 20, limiting amount of funds that may be transferred to "Other procurement, Navy," solely for construction of power reactor plants for the Antarctic.

Pages 18294–18304

Private Bills: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President four private bills, as follows: H.R. 2074, 7618, 7877, and 4428.

Pages 18305–18309

D.C. Teachers: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President (motion to reconsider tabled) H.R. 12993, to amend the D.C. Teachers' Salary Act of 1955, after adopting Morse motion to table Lausche amendment to incorporate in the bill the provisions of H.R. 10346, to increase the rate of tax on gross receipts from certain sales in the D.C.

S. 3739, companion bill, was indefinitely postponed.

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Small Business: Select Committee on Small Business was authorized to file during sine die adjournment reports on "Dual Distribution in the Automotive Tire Industry," on "Government Procurement—1960," and on "Case Study in Subcontracting by Weapon-System Contractor." Authority was also granted that these reports be printed with any individual, supplemental, or minority views.

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Freedom Commission: Senate again took up and debated S. 1689, to create the Freedom Commission for the development of the science of counteraction to the world Communist conspiracy, reaching unanimous-consent agreement to limit further debate as follows: On Wednesday at conclusion of morning business debate on any amendment, motion, or appeal (except motion to table) shall be limited to 30 minutes, equally divided, and debate on the bill will be limited to 1 hour, equally divided; and that no nongermane amendments may be received.

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Nominations: Withdrawals of three postmaster nominations were received.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 13218–13228; 7 private bills, H.R. 13229–13235; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 803 and 804, H. Con. Res. 732, and H. Res. 634–637, were introduced.

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 10311, providing that certain provisions of Public Law 335, dated October 7, 1949, shall apply to the Mercedes division of the lower Rio Grande rehabilitation project, Texas, amended (H. Rept. 2201);

S. 1092, to provide for the construction of the Cheney division, Wichita Federal reclamation project, Kansas,

amended (H. Rept. 2202);

S. 2195, to authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of the western division of the Dalles Federal reclamation project, Oregon, amended (H. Rept. 2203);

S. 2761, validating payments made for certain emer-

gency conservation measures (H. Rept. 2204);

Report of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries entitled "Refusal of Governmental Agencies To Support Established National Merchant Marine Policies" (H. Rept. 2205);

H. Res. 623, relating to the operation of the Panama

Line, amended (H. Rept. 2206);

Twenty-fifth report of the Committee on Government Operations entitled "Executive Branch Practices in Withholding Information From Congressional Committees" (H. Rept. 2207).

H. Res. 636, providing for the consideration of and 1 hour of debate on S. 2917, to establish a price support level for milk and butterfat (H. Rept. 2208);

H. Res. 637, providing for the consideration of and 2 hours of debate on H.R. 13021, to provide for assistance in the development of Latin America and in the reconstruction of Chile (H. Rept. 2209);

S. 3018, authorizing the Maritime Administration to make advances on Government-insured ship mortgages, amended (H. Rept. 2210);

Conference report on H.R. 13161, second supplemental appropriation bill for fiscal year 1961 (H. Rept. 2211);

Conference report on H.R. 12659, to suspend import duties on heptanoic acid for period of 3 years (H. Rept. 2212);

Conference report on H.R. 12536, to exclude certain local advertising charges from the sale price, within OVI—DD—31

limits, for purposes of the manufacturer's excise taxes (H. Rept. 2213); and

Conference report on H.R. 10960, relating to the determination of retail price for purposes of the Federal excise tax on cigars (H. Rept. 2214).

Pages 18461-18462

Second Supplemental Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H.R. 13161, second supplemental appropriation bill for fiscal year 1961; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Thomas, Kirwan, Cannon, Jensen, and Taber. Subsequently the conferees were granted permission to file a report thereon by midnight.

Pages 13856-18357, 18387

Communications: S. 1898, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 with respect to the procedure in obtaining a license and for rehearing under such act, was cleared for Presidential action by House agreement to Senate amendments to a House amendment to the bill.

Pages 18357-18367

Forest Products Week: Adopted and cleared for the President S.J. Res. 209, to establish an annual National Forest Products Week.

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Public Works Appropriation: By a voice vote the House adopted the conference report on H.R. 12326, the public works appropriation bill for fiscal year 1961, and sent the legislation to the Senate. Amendments Nos. 4, 10, and 20 were reported in disagreement and on which the House voted to recede and concur in amendments Nos. 4 and 10. On amendment No. 20 the House receded and concurred with an amendment.

Pages 18367-18379

Pledge of Allegiance: Adopted H.J. Res. 704, to remove copyright restrictions upon the musical composition "Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag."

Pages 18379-18380

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Public lands: S. 2959 (in lieu of H.R. 10102), to clarify the right of States to select certain public lands subject to any outstanding mineral lease or permit;

Agricultural commodities: S. 3146, authorizing the CCC to donate agricultural commodities for use in home economics courses; and

Housing: S. 3619, to make permanent law the provisions of section 408 of the National Housing Act regulating savings and loan holding companies.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Wyoming land conveyance: H.R. 12491, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands in the State of Wyoming to the county of Fremont, Wyo.

Sent to the Senate amended:

National Guard: S. 1764 (in lieu of H.R. 5435), to extend the Federal Tort Claims Act to members of the National Guard when engaged in training or duty under Federal law; and

California land conveyance: H.R. 11917, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands in Lassen County, Calif., to the city of Susanville, Calif.

Bills not considered:

Passed over without prejudice: S. 1849, 2919, H.J. Res. 416, H.R. 4084, 6743, 8074, 11876, and 12653.

Objected to and stricken from Calendar: H.R. 12419.

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Parachuting Championship: Adopted H.J. Res. 723, extending an invitation to the Federation Aeronautique Internationale to hold the 1962 world sport parachuting championship at Orange, Mass.

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Kentucky Land Conveyance: H.R. 11561, relating to conveyance of lands in Madison County, Ky., to the Pioneer National Monument Association for use as part of a historic site, was cleared for the President by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto.

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Narragansett Bay Bridge: Passed without amendment and thus cleared for the President S. 3681, authorizing Rhode Island Turnpike Bridge Authority to combine for financing purposes bridge across the West Passage of Narragansett Bay with the Newport Bridge and any other project constructed by said authority.

Pages 18388-18389

Government Operations: The Committee on Government Operations was granted permission to file sundry reports by midnight Wednesday.

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Private Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Private Calendar:

Cleared for the President: S.J. Res. 9, S. 882, 2353, 2770, 3439, 3665, and 3759.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H.R. 10586 and 12503.

Pages 18389-18393

Sugar: By a voice vote the House passed, with amendments, H.R. 13062, to amend the Sugar Act of 1948, as amended.

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Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Pursuant to unanimous-consent requests the following bills from

the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce were considered and passed:

Railroad accident reports: S. 1964, to require certain rail carriers to make reports to the ICC with respect to certain accidents (amended and returned to Senate).

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Health research grants: H.R. 10341, to authorize grants-in-aid to universities, hospitals, laboratories, and other public or nonprofit institutions to strengthen their programs of research and research training in sciences related to health (sent to Senate).

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Securities Exchange: H.R. 13066, to amend section 4(a) of the Securities Exchange Act relating to salary of Chairman (sent to Senate).

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Regulatory agencies: H.R. 13067, to amend Public Law 86-619, to make uniform provisions of law with respect to the terms of office of the members of certain regulatory agencies (sent to Senate). Pages 18394-18395

Trust Indenture Act: S. 3771, to amend certain provisions of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 (cleared for President).

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Communications: S. 1740, to expand the FCC's regulatory authority under section 202(b) (amended and returned to Senate).

Pages 18395–18396

Aviation: S. 1545, to authorize elimination of hearings in certain cases under section 408 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (amended and returned to Senate).

Pages 18396-18397

Investment Company Act: S. 3772, to amend the Investment Company Act of 1940 (amended and returned to Senate).

Pages 18397-18401

Investment Advisers Act: S. 3773, to amend in several respects the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (amended and returned to Senate).

Pages 18401–18404

Educational Imports: H.R. 11573, to provide for the duty-free importation of scientific equipment for educational or research purposes, was cleared for the President by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto.

Pages 18404–18405

District Courts: Passed H.R. 12622, relating to jurisdiction and venue of the U.S. district courts in actions against Government officials.

Pages 18405–18406

Acreage Allotments: S. 3533, to protect farmers making certain land use changes under the Great Plains conservation program against loss of acreage allotments, was passed with an amendment and returned to the Senate.

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Conservation: S. 2761, to validate payments made for certain emergency conservation measures, was passed and cleared for Presidential consideration.

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Foreign Tax Credit: Adopted the conference report on H.R. 10087, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to permit taxpayers to elect an overall limitation on the foreign tax credit, and thus cleared the legislation for Presidential action.

Pages 18409–18415

Litigation Transfers: H.R. 5396, to provide for transfer of cases between the district courts and the Court of Claims, was cleared for the President by House concurrence in Senate amendments thereto.

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Committee Resignation: Received and read a letter from Representative Lafore, resigning from the Committee on Ways and Means.

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Committee Election: Adopted H. Res. 634, electing Representative Mumma to membership on the Committee on Ways and Means.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE MISCELLANY

Committee on Agriculture: The committee held a hearing on H.R. 12005, to balance domestic supplies of, and domestic demand for, agricultural commodities, and to prevent the loss of soil, farm labor, and farm capital resources, by providing for the withdrawal of up to 80 million acres from agricultural production; H.R. 12954, to provide a voluntary payment-in-kind program for the purpose of reducing wheat production and wheat stocks of the Commodity Credit Corporation; and H.J. Res. 788, to improve farm income for producers of wheat, corn, oats, rye, barley, grain sorghum, soybeans, and flaxseed, by establishing a payment-in-kind program and increasing the resale price of surplus Government stocks of such commodities. Testimony was given on H.R. 12005 by Representative Flynn. Marvin McLean, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, testified on H.R. 12954 and H.J. Res. 788. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee on Government Operations: Committee in executive session approved four subcommittee reports entitled "Commodity Credit Corporation Grain Storage Activities"; "Price Support and Production Adjustment Activities"; "Executive Branch Practices in Withholding Information From Congressional Committees"; and "Sale and Transmission of Power (Bureau of Reclamation, Central Valley project, California)."

INTERIOR MISCELLANY

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills:

S. 2195 (amended), to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the western division of the Dalles Federal reclamation project, Oregon;

S. 1092 (amended), to provide for the construction of the Cheney division, Wichita Federal reclamation project, Kansas;

H.R. 10311 (amended), providing that certain provisions of Public Law 335, dated October 7, 1949, shall apply to the Mercedes division of the lower Rio Grande rehabilitation project, Texas.

Adopted two committee resolutions regarding national park concessions.

The committee will meet again Wednesday, August 31.

REGULATORY COMMISSIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Legislative Oversight heard various public witnesses regarding Federal Communications Commission, Federal Trade Commission, and Interstate Commerce Commission matters.

SHIP MORTGAGES—PANAMA LINE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following measures:

S. 3018 (amended), to authorize the Maritime Administration to make advances on Government-insured ship mortgages; and

H. Res. 623 (amended), relative to the operation of the Panama Line.

PRICE SUPPORT-MILK

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, with 1 hour's debate, on S. 2917, to establish a price support level for milk and butterfat.

Witnesses testifying on granting of a rule were Representatives Cooley, Hoeven, Johnson of Wisconsin, McIntire, McGovern, Coad, and Pirnie.

LATIN AMERICA

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, with 2 hours' debate, on H.R. 13021, to provide for assistance in the development of Latin America and in the reconstruction of Chile.

Testimony on granting of a rule was given by Representatives Morgan, Judd, Adair, Pilcher, and Hays of Ohio.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY—CENTRIFUGE PROCESS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session to receive a briefing on the centrifuge process in connection with production of special nuclear material. Witnesses heard were Chairman John A. McCone, and Members Robert A. Wilson and Loren K. Olson, all of the Atomic Energy Commission; and Charles Sullivan, of the State Department.

MINIMUM WAGE

Conferees continued, in executive session, to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 12677, proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, but did not reach final agreement, and recessed subject to call.

TAXATION, AND TARIFF

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file conference reports on the differences betwen the Senate- and Housepassed versions of the following three bills: (1) H.R. 10060, relative to the determination of retail prices for purposes of excise tax on cigars, (2) H.R. 12536, to exclude certain local advertising charges from the sale price, within limits, for purposes of manufacturer's excise taxes, and (3) H.R. 12659, to provide a temporary suspension of duty on heptanoic acid.

APPROPRIATIONS—SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 13161, second supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1961.

FOREIGN FREIGHT FORWARDERS

Conferees met in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 5068, to provide for the licensing of independent foreign freight forwarders, but did not reach final agreement, and recessed subject to call.

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2565, to promote fish and game conservation and rehabilitation in military reservations.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared numerous bills for White House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 18482-18516

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3917-3924; S.J. Res. 223; and S. Res. 386-388. Pages 18487, 18689

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 7810, to credit periods of internment during World War II to certain Federal employees of Japanese ancestry for purposes of the Civil Service Retirement Act and the Annual and Sick Leave Act of 1951 (S. Rept. 1936);

H.R. 8424, amending the Classification Act of 1949 with respect to certain positions in the Library of Con-

gress (S. Rept. 1937);

H.R. 12043, to amend U.S. Code relative to temporary and permanent positions in the Bureau of the Census (S. Rept. 1938);

H.R. 383, authorizing the annexation of certain real property of the U.S. by the city of Wyandotte, Mich., with amendment (S. Rept. 1939);

H.R. 13062, to amend the Sugar Act of 1948, with amendments (S. Rept. 1940);

H.R. 1526, 3536, 8166, 9715, 11322, 11380, private bills (S. Repts. 1941-1946); and

H.R. 12699, to clear title to property belonging to Gallaudet College (no written report). Pages 18483-18689

Bills Referred: Eight House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees.

Freedom Commission: Senate passed with committee amendments S. 1689, to create the Freedom Commission for the development of the science of counteraction to the world Communist conspiracy. Pages 18524-18528

Constitution Anniversary: Senate passed H.J. Res. 784, extending the time within which the U.S. Consti-